

FISCAL NOTE

SB 221 - HB 1155

February 7, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a professional bondsman to verify the address given by the defendant as the address where such defendant resides or can be found before the bondsman is authorized to act. Specifies that a bondsman failing to verify such address who proceeds to act is jointly and severally liable along with the bounty hunter for any property damage, injury, or death caused to a third party by the bounty hunter if the address is not the residence of or has no reasonable connection to the defendant. Requires a bounty hunter to present to the appropriate law enforcement agency a signed statement by the bondsman that the address has been properly verified before taking a defendant into custody.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial 'J'.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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